

was so insistent and was so anxious to reach his son's home, that when the train reached Graniteville the conductor told the station agent to see that the old gentleman reached the home of Judge Cloy.

The agent escorted the old man to the home of Judge Cloy and there his identity was established and it was proven beyond a doubt that the ancient stranger was Jacob Wesley Cloy, the father of the honorable Squire of Graniteville.

When Jacob Cloy left his family and home his son was only 27 days old. He held the position of overseer on the estate of Frank Posey and was the staunch friend of the son, Martin Posey. When the young wife was missed Cloy joined with the others in the search for the body and was one of the party who found it. As said before suspicion pointed to the husband of the murdered woman as the guilty party and the evidence of Jacob Cloy was considered a strong point in the case of the prosecution. Finally the day of the trial came and the court room was crowded. Every one was waiting to hear what Jacob Cloy had to say but when his name was called he did not answer. He was searched for at his home, but although the prisoner was hanged it was not the evidence of his friend Cloy which sent him to the gallows.

At first it was whispered that another murder was committed in order to cover the others but after a while a great many people became convinced that Cloy had left rather than testify against his friend. Now, after fifty-four years this idea is confirmed, but still not one word will the venerable Jacob Cloy utter in relation to the murder. If he knows anything at all about it he keeps it to himself and rightly or wrongly, he is still true to the friend of his youth. When asked why he left his home and deserted his young wife and infant son, he replies, "that is too long past to talk about now." Although 83 years of age Mr Cloy is quite active and is remarkably bright and quick in thought. He has traveled over the greater part of the United States and Canada and has several times owned considerable money. He has been engaged in the live stock business and his ventures in this line put him up in the world several times. During the war he served through the four years' struggle as a scout. His conversation about his experiences after he left his home is entertaining, his interesting stories being full of wit and humor. He has come to his son to spend his last years broken in fortune and having no claim upon that son, and not having the satisfaction of knowing that his son's ability to care for him is due to any effort on his own part.

When he left his home 54 years ago he left that wife with the infant son to provide for. Well has the mother wrought, as Jacob Cloy above all men should be able to appreciate. Mrs Cloy died in 1889, never having heard from her truant husband.

Once before had Judge Cloy met his father. During the latter part of the civil war, when Judge Cloy was a student at the Arsenal in Columbia. The Confederacy needed men and the boys of the South answered the call and became men. The boys of the Arsenal and the Citadel Academy, at Charleston, were mustered into one company and sent to camp at Spartanburg. They were never ordered to the front, as, soon after this, Lee surrendered at Appomattox and the young soldiers were disbanded.

While traveling to his home in Edgefield District, now a part of Richland county, the youthful soldier, John R. Cloy, met a man in charge of a drove of stock that was being driven through the country. The

man and the boy soldier struck up a conversation and when the young man told his name the man began to question him very closely. They were together for nearly an hour and as the man was about to depart he told the youthful Confederate that he was his father. The youth was incredulous and the man rode on without giving any further information. When Young Cloy reached home he recited the occurrence to his mother. From the description given of the man and the subjects on which he asked questions Mrs. Cloy was positive that the drover who encountered her son, was her husband.

Nothing more was heard of the husband and father until one day about two years ago, Judge Cloy met a brother of his father in Augusta, who told him his parent was still living. Of this Judge Cloy was incredulous, and would not even bother to write to the address given. However the arrival of the ancient passenger of the midnight train at Graniteville the other night has settled the question.

The story of Jacob Cloy is, indeed, interesting. If he ever tells the facts of the Posey murder it will not change the status of a case which at the time of its trial excited much more than a passing interest.

As said before, this horrible story has lain forgotten by many and unknown by many more, for nearly a half century. The reason why its history is revived now is because the arrival of the "prodigal father" at Graniteville demands the facts as given. Therefore after this passing glance at the part that should be forgotten let us once more forget.

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Francis L. Britt, Plaintiff,  
against  
Ezylphia Gauntt, Dolly Brogden, Eliza Gunter, Polly Gunter, Alfred Gauntt, Jacob Gauntt, Mrs. Rish, John Lindsay, Henry Lindsay, Fanny Lindsay, Eliza Ann Killough, Martha Ann Johnson, Eloise Matthews, the heirs at law of Henry Gauntt, and the heirs at law of Isreal Gauntt, whose names and places of residence are unknown to the plaintiff.

Defendants.  
Summons for Relief.  
[Complaint filed.]  
YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED and required to answer the complaint in this action which is filed in the office of Clerk of Court for said county, State aforesaid, and to serve a copy of your answer to the said complaint on the subscriber at the law office of Lambert W. Jones at Newberry, South Carolina, within twenty days after the service hereof; exclusive of the day of such service; and if you fail to answer the complaint within the time aforesaid, the plaintiff in this action will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in the complaint.

LAMBERT W. JONES,  
Plaintiff's Attorney.  
[J. F. J. CALDWELL,  
of Counsel]

Dated Oct. 18, A. D. 1897.  
To the Defendants, Eliza Gunter, Polly Gunter, Mrs. Rish, also the heirs at law of Henry Gauntt and heirs at law of Isreal Gauntt, whose names and places of residence are unknown to the Plaintiff:

Take notice that the complaint in this action together with the summons, of which the foregoing is a copy, were filed with the Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas, for Newberry County, in the State of South Carolina, on the fourteenth day of October, A. D. 1899.

LAMBERT W. JONES,  
Plaintiff's Attorney.  
Newberry, S. C.

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